

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

What is claimed is:

1-8. (Cancelled)

9. (Currently Amended) A cover for a motorcycle oil tank assembly including an exposed surface, an inlet having an inlet aperture, and an oil cap removably engaged with the inlet and substantially sealing the inlet aperture, the cover comprising:

a contoured wall portion defining an upper attachment portion, a lower attachment portion, and an inner surface, the upper attachment portion including a first aperture that is engageable with a first oil tank protrusion and the lower attachment portion including a second aperture that is engageable with a second oil tank protrusion to connect the contoured wall to the oil tank without the use of fasteners such that the inner surface faces the exposed surface and the contoured wall portion substantially covers the exposed surface of the oil tank, wherein the contoured wall portion is substantially formed from a metallic material.

10. (Original) The cover of claim 9, wherein the contoured wall portion includes an aperture adapted to allow access to at least a portion of the oil cap when the contoured wall is attached to the oil tank.

11-20. (Cancelled)

21. (Previously Presented) A motorcycle comprising:

- a frame;
- a front wheel coupled to the frame;
- a rear wheel coupled to the frame;
- an engine coupled to the frame and adapted to propel the motorcycle;
- a substantially plastic oil tank coupled to the frame and adapted to contain oil used to lubricate the engine, the oil tank having an exposed surface, an inlet having an inlet aperture, and an oil cap removably engaged with the inlet and substantially sealing the inlet aperture; and
- a substantially metallic cover including a contoured wall portion defining an inner surface, and an attachment point adapted to connect the contoured wall to the oil tank such that the inner surface is facing the exposed surface and the contoured wall portion substantially covers the exposed surface of the oil tank.

22. (Cancelled)

23. (Previously Presented) The motorcycle of claim 21, wherein the oil tank is injection molded.

24. (Cancelled)

25. (Previously Presented) The motorcycle of claim 21, wherein the cover is supported by the oil tank.

26. (Previously Presented) The motorcyclé of claim 21, wherein the oil tank includes a first attachment surface and a second attachment surface, each of the attachment surfaces including at least one tank attachment member, and wherein the cover includes a first cover surface and a second cover surface, each of the cover surfaces including at least one cover attachment member, the cover attachment members engaged with the tank attachment members to attach the cover to the oil tank.

27. (Previously Presented) The motorcycle of claim 26, wherein each of the tank attachment members is one of a projection or a recess and wherein the corresponding cover attachment member is the other of the projection and the recess.

28. (Previously Presented) The motorcycle of claim 27, wherein the recesses are apertures.

29. (Previously Presented) The cover of claim 9, wherein the upper attachment portion includes a third aperture that is engageable with a third oil tank protrusion.

30. (Previously Presented) The cover of claim 29, wherein the first aperture, the second aperture, and the third aperture provide the sole attachments between the contoured wall portion and the oil tank.

31. (Currently Amended) The cover of claim 29, wherein the first aperture and the second aperture are substantially circular and the ~~second~~ third aperture is substantially oval.

32. (Currently Amended) ~~The cover of claim 9;~~ A cover for a motorcycle oil tank assembly including an exposed surface, an inlet having an inlet aperture, and an oil cap removably engaged with the inlet and substantially sealing the inlet aperture, the cover comprising:

a contoured wall portion defining an upper attachment portion, a lower attachment portion, and an inner surface, the upper attachment portion including a first aperture that is engageable with a first oil tank protrusion and the lower attachment portion including a second aperture that is engageable with a second oil tank protrusion to connect the contoured wall to the oil tank without the use of fasteners such that the inner surface faces the exposed surface and the contoured wall portion substantially covers the exposed surface of the oil tank, wherein the upper attachment portion and the lower attachment portion are spaced apart a first distance when the cover is not attached to the oil tank, and the upper attachment portion and the lower attachment portion are spaced apart a second distance when the cover is attached to the oil tank, the second distance being greater than the first distance.

33. (Previously Presented) The cover of claim 32, wherein the contoured wall portion produces a biasing force when coupled to the oil tank, the biasing force squeezing the oil tank.